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In re Application of

SANDNER, Bernhard et al.

Application No.: 10/536,720

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DECISION ON

PETITION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.182

This decision responds to "Petition Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.182," filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 17 May 2006.

BACKGROUND

On 17 December 2003, applicant filed international application PCT/EP03/14408, claiming a priority date of 18 December 2002. A copy of the international application was transmitted to the Office by the International Bureau on 01 July 2004. The deadline for entry into the national stage in the United States was midnight 18 June 2005.

On 27 May 2005, applicant filed a submission for entry into the national stage in the United States which was accompanied by the basic national fee.

On 16 December 2005, the Office mailed Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration and the surcharge for late filing the search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration were required.

On 27 January 2006, applicant submitted a declaration of the inventors and the surcharge for late filing of the search fee, examination fee or the oath or declaration.

On 28 March 2006, the Office mailed Notification of Defective Response (Form PCT/DO/EO/916) indicating that the last name of the second inventor did not match the last name on the international application.

On 17 May 2006, applicant submitted a petition under 37 CFR 1.182.

DISCUSSION

The declaration is executed by Cristina Stanica. The international application listed Cristina Schedlowski.

Applicant has supplied a statement signed by Cristina Stanica stating that she has legally changed her name. This is sufficient explanation. The balance of the \$200 petition fee will be charged to deposit account no. 02-4800, as authorized.

CONCLUSION

Applicant's petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is **GRANTED**.

This application is being forwarded to the National Phase Processing Branch Division of PCT Operations for further processing. The application has a 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 27 January 2006.

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